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Chairman Kevin J. Martin Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW, 8th Floor Washington, DC 20554

Re: WC Docket No. 06-147; Frontier Communications Petition for Forbearance from Title II and Computer Inquiry Requirements for Broadband Services

Dear Chairman Martin:

I wanted to contact you regarding Frontier Communications' petition regarding the above mentioned docket in which we are seeking regulatory forbearance for our company's commercial broadband transmission services and strongly urge you to grant this petition. Providing Frontier with regulatory relief, which is similar to that already provided to Verizon, will permit the consumers in our markets to have the ability to enjoy benefits of a truly competitive broadband market and removes the shackles of pricing regulation. Granting Frontier's petition for forbearance is a natural progression of broadband deregulation and is in the public interest.

Frontier is not the dominant broadband provider in any of the relevant markets in terms of addressable market share. Frontier faces competition in its serving areas from alternative facilities-based, broadband competitors as well as providers that purchase special access DS1 or DS3 services from Frontier. The companies, in turn, bundle broadband services, such as Ethernet service, to the customer over those connections. In many cases these are cable television operators or national telecommunications providers who have access to financial resources many times greater than Frontier. The fact that there is less regulation on these entities provides advantages to competitors with greater resources than Frontier in the largest growth area in our industry, broadband.

The Commission should have no concern about granting Frontier this regulatory relief based upon the competitive and consumer success realized from the deregulation of the broadband Internet access market. Obviously, the requested additional forbearance in the commercial broadband service market would only serve to bring additional market-based competition to the benefit of all customers. If the public interest is truly the key element to the approval of any forbearance request, then granting Frontier's petition will serve to benefit communities by accelerating competition and the deployment of advanced broadband technology in its markets.

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If you have any questions regarding the positions asserted by Frontier or regarding the subsequent data filed with the Commission last week, please do not hesitate to give me a call. Thank you again for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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